



# Women of DISTINCTION

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## HONORING WOMEN IN NEW YORK

*Courtney Love' Miller*

Courtney Love' Miller is also known as Keris Love', singer, songwriter and ghostwriter. She was born and raised in the Bronx, the oldest of two sisters and devoted to her grandmothers.

She always knew music was her passion, but also had a strong desire to always speak out against unfairness. She graduated from New York City public schools and State University of New York at Buffalo where she studied Political Science. While attending Buffalo State, she never lost sight of her passion for music. She became the president and director of the Buffalo State gospel choir, wrote songs for aspiring artists at her school, and began her ghostwriting career. With the desire to help people, she began working part time at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Buffalo. She excelled in her role and was offered a director position after graduation. After spending five years helping youth and families in western New York, she moved back to New York City to serve the families of her community.

Quickly landing a job in the New York City child welfare system, she noticed many cracks in the system. Not only were the resources different than they were in upstate New York, stigmas were different. She excelled as a caseworker/mental health counselor, and within two years was promoted to supervisor. In this role, she implemented changes to policy, setting conditions of the facility, and educational expectations of the students and teachers. After five years of working in child welfare, she decided that if true change was going to happen then one must attack from the root.

She turned back to her music for inspiration and therapy, writing and ghostwriting for artists. While the music was feeding her artistic side, social justice was calling again. She began volunteering in local politics, joined Justice League NYC, Citizen Action and worked on the Women's March Artist table in 2019. Now under the leadership of Carmen Perez-Jordan, she is using her artistry and activism hand-in-hand. Writing music for the movement and creating political strategy to pass more Progressive legislation in the State of New York, Courtney is now known as Keris Love', a Grammy-nominated songwriter and activist!

***Courtney Love' Miller was selected as a  
2020 Woman of Distinction honoree by Senator Luis R. Sepúlveda.***

